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Are these indiscriminate bombings, such as what occurred in the US, London and Madrid, Islamically justifiable?

Islam unequivocally prohibits the likes of these horrendous acts and does not condone this awful behaviour. Look at what Allah ﷻ says, in the Quran, about those who kill innocent people:

"It would be as if he killed the whole of mankind; and if anyone saved a life, it would be as if he saved the whole of mankind." *(Al-Ma'idah: 32)*

Prophet Muhammed (ﷺ) –may the peace and blessings of Allah ﷻ be upon him-stressed the prohibition of killing women and children, on many occasions, even at times of war.

Abu Bakr, the Prophet's closest disciple, said:
"Do not kill women or children or a senile person, do not cut down fruit-bearing trees and do not destroy an inhabited place."

Therefore, this behaviour can never be justified in any way, shape or form.

Foreign policy of Western countries is often blamed and used as an excuse for these reactions, specifically the war in Iraq and Afghanistan, do you agree with that?

Sadly, we frequently hear these kinds of excuses being regurgitated. But the truth of the matter is that nothing can be used to support the validity of this madness.

Allah ﷻ said:
"No soul shall bear the sin of another." *(An-Najm: 38)*

Muslims should condemn terrorism and not make excuses for any murderous deviant, because Islam rejects these acts.

The people responsible for these cowardly crimes have been Muslims, so obviously they must be relying on some sort of proof.

These misguided individuals distort texts of both the Quran and the Prophetic traditions to suit their desires. They invent for themselves an ideology and then search for arguments that can be utilised to convince the ignorant masses.

Actually, this is not only found amongst Muslims but adherents to other religions, in the past and present, have committed atrocities in the name of religion and then claimed that they were supported by the teachings of their scriptures. Islam commands people to be just, truthful, kind and honest, whereas terrorism is built upon lies, treachery, oppression and deceit.

Anyone with two eyes can see that Islam is free from this barbarity, perpetrated by these few fanatics.

What about suicide bombing is that permissible in Islam?

Allah ﷻ says in the noble Quran:
"Do not kill yourselves." *(An-Nisaa: 29)*

Allah ﷻ, clearly, prohibits mankind from suicide, regardless of whether it is with a bomb, razor blade or anything else. Moreover, it is an even greater sin to take ones life and the lives of other innocent people who have not committed any crime that warrants such a punishment.

Prophet (ﷺ) Muhammed said:
"Whoever intentionally kills himself will be punished in the fire of Hell, wherein he shall dwell forever."







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I truly hope that you are beginning to understand how these people are blemishing the image of this wonderful religion.

But these people blow themselves up, believing that they will be martyrs.

Whosoever kills himself in this fashion has committed suicide, and as a result he shall be punished in Hell. Suicide is a major sin in Islam, so it is ridiculous to consider these perpetrators of evil to be martyrs. Suicide bombers oppress their own souls and oppress the innocent civilians they massacre.

If a Muslim is aware that someone, maybe another Muslim, is planning to commit an act of terrorism, can he inform the police?

It is mandatory upon them to inform the necessary authorities, because these people are plotting to transgress, oppress and murder.

Prophet Muhammed (ﷺ) said:
"Aid your brother whether he is the oppressed or the oppressor."

The Prophet (ﷺ) was asked:
"How is the oppressor to be aided?"

He responded:
"By preventing him from oppression."

Telling the police:

- Prevents this person from committing suicide, if that's what he intends to do.
- Helps those who would have been injured, or even killed, by such an attack.
- Removes any animosity that might be directed, wrongfully, at the other Muslims.

How should Muslims view Bin Laden and those like him?

These men are blood thirsty; they enjoy shedding the blood of innocent people and spreading chaos throughout the earth. Many people think that Bin Laden and those like him focus solely on killing non-Muslims; this is a myth.

Bin Laden praised the bombings that occurred in Riyaadh, a Muslim country, in his interview with Al-Jazeera towards the end of 1998. Don't forget the horrific scenes of the bombings, carried out by Al-Qaedah, which took place in Jordan, another Muslim country.

They have political aspirations and they believe that the end justifies the means. Anyone who praises Bin Laden or anyone like him has serious defects in their understanding of Islam.

"Believers: conduct yourselves, sincerely for the sake of Allah, with justice and bear true witness, even if it be against yourselves, your parents or your kin."
(An-Nisaa: 135)

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